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 ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002:107586 CAPLUS
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 TITLE: **Dictyostelium** discoideum gene
 expression-based methods of screening agents for use
 in cancer therapy and prevention
 INVENTOR(S): Alexander, Hannah; Alexander, Stephen
 PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): The Curators of the University of Missouri, USA
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US 2002042044	A1	20020411	US 2001-915225	20010725
PRIORITY APPLN. INFO.: US 2000-221908P P 20000731 AB Methods are provided for screening agents for cancer therapeutic and prophylactic activity. In particular embodiments, cells of the cellular slime mold Dictyostelium discoideum are contacted with candidate agents and the expression of genes in the nucleotide excision repair and base excision repair pathways are examd. Such genes include the helicases repB and repD , and the apurinic-apyrimidinic endonuclease APE . REFERENCE COUNT: 4 THERE ARE 4 CITED REFERENCES AVAILABLE FOR THIS RECORD. ALL CITATIONS AVAILABLE IN THE RE FORMAT				

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 ACCESSION NUMBER: 1998:362210 BIOSIS
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 TITLE: Rapid changes of nucleotide excision repair gene
 expression
 following UV-irradiation and cisplatin treatment of
Dictyostelium discoideum.
 AUTHOR(S): Yu, Sung-Lim; Lee, Sung-Keun; Alexander, Hannah;
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 CORPORATE SOURCE: (1) Div. Biol. Sci., 422 Tucker Hall, Univ. Missouri,
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AB Organisms use different mechanisms to detect and repair different types
of DNA damage, and different species vary in their sensitivity to DNA
damaging agents. The cellular slime mold *Dictyostelium*
discoideum has long been recognized for its unusual resistance to UV and
ionizing radiation. We have recently cloned three nucleotide excision
repair (NER) genes from *Dictyostelium*, the *repB*, D and
E genes (the homologs of the human xeroderma pigmentosum group B, D and E
genes, respectively). Each of these genes has a unique pattern of
expression during the multicellular development of this organism. We have
now examined the response of these genes to DNA damage. The *repB*
and D DNA helicase genes are rapidly and transiently induced in a dose
dependent manner following exposure to both UV-light and the widely used
chemotherapeutic agent cisplatin. Interestingly, the *repE* mRNA level is
repressed by UV but not by cisplatin, implying unique signal transduction
pathways for recognizing and repairing different types of damage. Cells
from all stages of growth and development display the same pattern of NER
gene expression following exposure to UV-light. These results suggest
that the response to UV is independent of DNA replication, and that all the
factors necessary for rapid transcription of these NER genes are either
stable throughout development, or are continuously synthesized. It is
significant that the up-regulation of the *repB* and D genes in
response to UV and chemical damage has not been observed to occur in
cells from other species. We suggest that this rapid expression of NER genes is
at least in part responsible for the unusual resistance of
Dictyostelium to DNA damage.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1998438729 MEDLINE
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 98438729 PubMed ID: 9765592
TITLE: A mutation in *repB*, the *dictyostelium*
homolog of the human xeroderma pigmentosum B gene, has
increased sensitivity to UV-light but normal
morphogenesis.
AUTHOR: Lee S K; Yu S L; Alexander H; Alexander S
CORPORATE SOURCE: Division of Biological Sciences, University of Missouri,
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AB Nucleotide excision repair (NER) is an important cellular defense
mechanism which protects the integrity of the genome by removing DNA
damage caused by UV-light or chemical agents. In humans, defects in the
NER pathway result in the disease xeroderma pigmentosum (XP) which is
characterized by increased UV-sensitivity, with increased propensity for
skin cancer, and an array of developmental abnormalities. Some XP
patients exhibit, in addition, symptoms of Cockayne's syndrome (CS) and
trichothiodystrophy (TTD), which are characterized by increased
UV-sensitivity, without increased cancer incidence, and an array of
developmental abnormalities. Some NER genes, including the DNA helicases
XPB and XPD, have been shown to function in transcription as well as
repair, by virtue of being an integral part of the transcription
initiation factor TFIIH. This dual function may account for the

above-mentioned wide pleiotropy of phenotypes associated with defects in NER genes, and may explain why some XP patients exhibit developmental abnormalities in addition to XP symptoms. To date, only five XPB patients with three different mutations in the XPB gene have been reported. One of these mutations is a C to A transversion at the splice site at the beginning of the last exon, which resulted in a frameshift throughout the last exon. This patient shows combined clinical symptoms of XP and CS.

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recent cloning of the **repB** gene, the **Dictyostelium** discoideum homolog of XPB, allowed us to generate a similar C-terminal mutation in the **Dictyostelium**, in order to test whether the defect in this NER gene has an effect on growth or development. To this end, we have constructed a C-terminal deletion **repB** mutant in **Dictyostelium**. To avoid the possibility that a null mutant would be lethal, we used direct homologous recombination to create a 46 amino acid C-terminal deletion mutant. Indeed, we were unable to obtain mutants with a longer 95 amino acid deletion. The **repB** delta C46 mutants showed an increased sensitivity to UV-light, but a normal pattern of UV-induced expression of repair genes, and no immediately obvious defect in either growth rate or development. The results suggest that the associated developmental defects in the human XPB patients may be due to mutations in another gene.

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TITLE: A mutation in **repB**, the **Dictyostelium** homolog of the human xeroderma pigmentosum B gene, has increased sensitivity to UV-light but normal

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end, we have constructed a C-terminal deletion **repB** mutant in **Dictyostelium**. To avoid the possibility that a null mutant would be lethal, we used direct homologous recombination to create a 46 amino acid C-terminal deletion mutant. Indeed, we were unable to obtain mutants with a longer 95 amino acid deletion. The **repBDELTA46** mutants showed an increased sensitivity to UV-light, but a normal pattern of UV-induced expression of repair genes, and no immediately obvious defect in either growth rate or development. The results suggest that the associated developmental defects in the human XPB patients may be due to mutations in another gene.

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 ACCESSION NUMBER: 97315327 MEDLINE
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: 97315327 PubMed ID: 9171087
 TITLE: Differential developmental expression of the rep B and rep D xeroderma pigmentosum related DNA helicase genes from **Dictyostelium** discoideum.
 AUTHOR: Lee S K; Yu S L; Garcia M X; Alexander H; Alexander S
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Division of Biological Sciences, 403 Tucker Hall, University of Missouri, Columbia, MO 65211, USA.
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AB DNA helicases are essential to many cellular processes including recombination, replication and transcription, and some helicases function in multiple processes. The helicases encoded by the Xeroderma pigmentosum (XP) B and D genes function in both nucleotide excision repair and transcription initiation. Mutations that affect the repair function of these proteins result in XP while mutations affecting transcription result in neurological and developmental abnormalities, although the underlying molecular and cellular basis for these phenotypes is not well understood. To better understand the developmental roles of these genes, we have now identified and characterized the rep B and rep D genes from the cellular slime mold **Dictyostelium** discoideum. Both genes encode DNA helicases of the SF2 superfamily of helicases. The rep D gene contains no introns and the rep B gene contains only one intron, which makes their genomic structures dramatically different from the corresponding genes in mammals and fish. However the predicted **Dictyostelium** proteins share high homology with the human XPB and XPD proteins. The single copy of the rep B and D genes map to chromosomes 3 and 1, respectively. The expression of rep B and D (and the previously isolated rep E) genes during multicellular development was examined, and it was determined that each rep gene has a unique pattern of expression, consistent with the idea that they have specific roles in development. The pattern and extent of expression of these genes was not affected by the growth history of the cells, implying that the expression of these genes is tightly regulated by the developmental program. The expression of the rep genes is a very early step in development and may well represent a key event in the initiation of development in this organism.

L5 ANSWER 6 OF 6 MEDLINE DUPLICATE 4

ACCESSION NUMBER: 96226184 MEDLINE
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 96226184 PubMed ID: 8657579
TITLE: Apyriminic/apyrimidinic (AP) endonuclease from
Dictyostelium discoideum: cloning, nucleotide
sequence and induction by sublethal levels of DNA damaging
agents.
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AB We have cloned an AP endonuclease gene (APEA) from **Dictyostelium**
discoideum, along with 1.8 kb of the 5' flanking region. There are no
introns. The sequence predicts a protein of 361 amino acids, showing high
homology to the major human/*Escherichia coli* exonuclease III family of AP
endonucleases. There is 47% identity and 64% similarity to the **Ape**
endonuclease of human cells using the C-terminal 257 amino acids of the
Dictyostelium protein. The 104 amino acids on the N-terminus show
only low homology with other AP endonucleases. Instead, this region shows
high homology with the acid-rich regions of proteins associated with
chromatin, such as nucleolins and HMG proteins. The gene is
transcriptionally activated up to 7-fold after treatment of cells with
sublethal levels of DNA damaging agents, including ultraviolet light,
MNNG
and bleomycin. Induction does not occur following blocking of replication
fork polymerases with aphidicolin. It is not eliminated by treatment with
kinase or phosphatase inhibitors. Four DNA damage-sensitive mutants all
retained the DNA damage-induced up-regulation.

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